2nd Lieutenant of the U.S. Marine Corps awarded the Air Medal for his efforts in the Dominican Republic in 1965, and loved father of Heather and wife of Emily, Tom certainly deserves our praise.

Throughout Professor Reed's career, he has shown the greatest respect for public service. He has served in our nation's military, worked as a Reporter to the Delaware Supreme Court for the Delaware Appellate Handbook and the Supreme Court for revisions to the Delaware Uniform Rules of Evidence, worked for and served as the President of the Civil War Round Table of Wilmington, Delaware, and was instrumental in the establishment of the Widener University Veterans Law Clinic, which specializes in representing those Veterans without the means to mount a challenge to unfair decisions rendered by the VA.

In addition to his noteworthy service to many venerable organizations of our nation, Professor Thomas Reed has spent 29 years of his life educating generations of prospective lawyers at the Widener University School of Law in effective and innovative ways. His play, entitled Delaware: A State Divided is an excellent learning device for school-age children, and he has recently filmed a short piece to introduce law students to the intricacies and challenges associated with trials.

Professor Reed has worked extensively with my office to defend the rights of our heroes who fight for our freedom day in and day out. His innovative ideas on merging Department of Defense and Veterans Administration records to permit the seamless flow of information between those two organizations could dramatically improve the delivery of cost-effective medical care to Veterans. Professor Reed also was recently recognized by the Taischoff Advocacy, Technology, and Public Service Institute as the first Taischoff Professor of Law upon the organization's creation in 2008.

As our nation struggles on so many fronts—suffering the most severe economic woes in decades and fighting multiple wars abroad—it is important to remember the successes achieved by our constituents in our communities every single day. I am truly honored to offer this recognition to Professor Thomas J. Reed, and I wish him well in his retirement.

HONORING THE LIFE OF H.D. "DILL" MULLIS

# HON. DON YOUNG

OF ALASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of H.D. "Dill" Mullis, a truly great Alaskan and a good friend.

Dill Mullis was born on March 13, 1935 in Jacksonville, FL to H.D. and Sara A. Mullis. He graduated from Andrew Jackson High School and the University of Florida.

Following his undergraduate education, Dill courageously joined the armed forces. He was an Air Force pilot and Vietnam veteran. His military decorations include: The Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star; Air Medals, Meritorious Service Medal, RVN Cross of Gallantry and RVN Air medals.

After his honorable and courageous service to his country, Dill joined the ITT Company in 1971, where he was assigned to Anchorage in

the military contracts and commercial operations division. Subsequently, he was involved in the construction, operations, and maintenance in support of the exploratory drilling program in the National Petroleum Reserve Alaska, the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System and various projects throughout Alaska.

Dill was a quintessential Alaskan and he will be dearly missed. His courage, tenacity and independence helped to show everyone around him, and the rest of the Lower 48, what it really meant to be an Alaskan.

He is survived by his wife, Beverly; daughters, Patricia Hopkins of Anchorage and Kathleen Matson of Eugene, Oregon; daughter in law, Cindie Mullis of Anchorage; sons, Stephen Mullis of Portage, Wisconsin, and Mark Mullis of Hong Kong, China. He is also survived by 12 grandchildren and four greatgrandchildren.

# A TRIBUTE TO MARGUERITE STERLIN

### HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Marguerite Sterlin on the occasion of her 106th birthday.

Marguerite Sterlin was born on July 20, 1904 in Cap Haitian. She came to the United States in the early 1960s, and has been a resident of Brooklyn ever since.

For approximately 30 years, Ms. Sterlin worked as a babysitter and a seamstress. She is now retired.

Ms. Sterlin was never married, and did not have children of her own. She is the only survivor of her five siblings, but is visited by her nieces and nephews.

Ms. Sterlin is a member of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church. Her hobbies include sewing, cooking, and dancing. She also enjoys Haitian music and ice cream, and she is known to many as "JoJo," pronounced "GoGo."

She has been at River Manor Care Center in Brooklyn, New York, since 2003. She is a regular participant in daily recreational programs, and is very close to the Haitian staff of River Manor, and is considered their adopted grandmother.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the life of Marguerite Sterlin.

COMMEMORATING THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COLORED WOMEN'S CLUBS AND YOUTH AFFILIATES, INC.'S 114TH ANNIVERSARY

#### HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Mr. COFFMAN of Colorado. Madam Speaker, today I would like to recognize the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs and Youth Affiliates, Inc.'s 114th Anniversary and 57th Biennial Convention. This convention, scheduled to take place between July 29th

and August 2nd in Denver, Colorado will be a fantastic opportunity for such a distinguished club to showcase its achievements and renowned history.

The club's history dates back to 1895 when Josephine St. Pierre Ruffin issued a call for a national meeting of women of color to take place in Boston, Massachusetts. This marked the beginning of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs. Founded by Ida B. Wells, Harriet Tubman, Frances E.W. Harper and Mary Church Terrell in 1896, the NACWC began the uphill battle for women and African Americans throughout the twentieth century. For the past one-hundred and fourteen years, the organization has fought barriers to economic and political advancement for women of color. Its creed encourages members to contribute heavily to community service within American society, particularly to causes related to the plight of the African American woman. It emphasizes the role of all women in improving society for the benefit of everyone. Through their educational workshops and seminars, their scholarship programs, and their youth programs, the NACWC has cultivated the talents of generations of successful women.

Historically, the group was the educational and support base for Black Colleges and Universities, which promoted literacy among African Americans throughout the 19th and 20th centuries. The work of the organization's founders and members has proven an inspiration for future African American women to lift up their communities as they climb their respective stairways to success. The National Association of Colored Women's Clubs has become the exemplar of what can be accomplished when women throughout the nation come together to promote interracial understanding, justice and peace among all people, raise the standard of the home, and advance the moral, economic, social and religious welfare of the family. The courage, persistence and unity of the women of the NACWC have served as inspiration and hope for the future of an America that will embrace the value of diversity for generations to come.

MARINE CORPS CORPORAL DAANE ADAM DEBOER

## HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Madam Speaker, it is with great respect and deep sadness that I wish to commend United States Marine Corps Corporal Daane Adam DeBoer for his bravery and willingness to fight for his country. Corporal DeBoer was killed when hit by an improvised explosive device while on foot patrol in the Helmand province in Afghanistan. His sacrifice will forever be remembered by a community that has been struck by the devastating loss of one of their own.

Daane Adam DeBoer was born in Valparaiso, Indiana. He attended Immanuel Lutheran School through the sixth grade. Former teachers report that Daane was an energetic youth with a zest for life. From a young age, family members remember Daane as having a thirst for the extreme. He enjoyed extreme sports, whether he was skiing in Colorado or walking the 2,200 miles of the Appalachian Trail to help raise money for the